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Director
Intelligence Community Staff
Washington, D.C. 20505

29 July 1988

MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution

SUBJECT: Weapons Intelligence Seminar [redacted] STAT

1. You are invited to attend a senior seminar on the state of US weapons intelligence that I will host on Wednesday, 17 August 1988 from 0900 to 1200 [redacted] 25X1

2. This will be the first in an occassional series of seminars that I will be holding for senior intelligence officials to address some of the larger, Community-wide issues. These sessions will offer us an opportunity to examine broad, potential problems in an informal setting where we can both assess the seriousness of the problems and, if warranted, explore possible solutions. [redacted] STAT

3. Weapons intelligence was selected as our first topic because the collection and production of intelligence on foreign weapon characteristics are essential to US national security policy, plans, and operations. When you combine the difficulty we anticipate in sustaining the quality of intelligence on foreign weapons' characteristics with the budget realities and the increased demands for intelligence on other topics (e.g., counternarcotics and international economic competition), it appears in the view of some that we may be headed for trouble in this area. I want to use this seminar to gain a shared understanding about the merits of this concern. [redacted] STAT

4. I have asked [redacted] Director of the Requirements and Evaluation Office, to orchestrate preparations. Attached is a tentative agenda that we plan to follow, but mainly I want to keep the discussion fairly unstructured following the overview from [redacted] To be most helpful to all, if you create any written materials in preparation for the meeting--such as an STAT STAT

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outline of your views--please bring enough working copies for everyone to get one. Because the room will accommodate no more than about 40 people, we will have to restrict attendance. If you cannot attend, I would appreciate it if you send a senior officer in your place. The clearance level for the session

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5. If you have any questions or comments can be reached at

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We would appreciate you informing

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at the same phone numbers, of your plans for attending.

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6. I look forward to seeing you on August 17th.

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Edward J. Heinz
Lieutenant General, USAF

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AGENDA

WEAPONS INTELLIGENCE SEMINAR

17 August 1988

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0900-1200

o	Introduction	Director, Intelligence Community Staff
o	The Link to Consumers (5-10 minutes)	[redacted] STAT Chairman, Intelligence Producers Council
o	An Overview from the Analytic Perspective (45 minutes)	[redacted] STAT Chairman, DCI Weapon and Space Systems Intelligence Committee
	(Break)	
o	Collection, Processing, and Exploitation Challenges:	
	The SIGINT Challenge (5-10 minutes)	(To be announced) NSA
	The IMINT Challenge (5-10 minutes)	(To be announced) COMIREX, NPIC
	The MASINT Challenge (5-10 minutes)	Chairman, MASINT Committee
	The HUMINT Challenge (5-10 minutes)	Chairman, HUMINT Committee

o Open Discussion:

-- Do we have major problems, now or coming?

-- What are they?

-- What can we do about them?

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